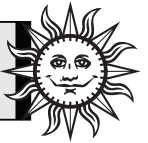


Summer Activities In The Park

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A Message From The Director

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide variety of activities for everyone to choose from. Whether you're interested in a hike along the bayou, a game of tennis or softball or in how you can help increase the city's green canopy, we have a program for you.

Everyday HPARD staff manage 342 developed parks and over 200 green spaces for the city and its citizens totaling over 38,945 acres. Some parks, like Memorial Park, Hermann Park, Gus Wortham and Cullen Park are better known than others but they all have a lot to offer regardless of their size.

In addition, we offer our 56 Community Centers and the Metropolitan Service Center at West Gray as bases of operation for a variety of programs for youth, adults and seniors of all abilities. We hope the pages of this catalog will help you find the right activities for you.

The After School Achievement Program (ASAP), the After School Enrichment Program and summer youth programs are designed to keep young people entertained and active. Youth recreation programs in baseball, basketball, tennis, soccer, and golf keep them busy and educate them in sportsmanship and the rules of the games.

Adult sports leagues are available in parks all over town, and classes are offered in such specialties as martial arts, aerobics, crafts, and dance, to mention just a few. Look inside for more, much more.

The Metropolitan Multi-Service Center offers an ongoing series of sports and workshops for youth and adults with disabilities who are able to function independently.

Whether you're interested in golf, swimming, tennis or trails... there is a world of recreation waiting for you, regardless of age or ability, at a Houston park near you.

We hope to see you soon!



Joe Turner, Director
Houston Parks and Recreation Department

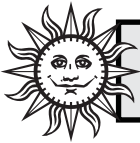
DEPARTMENT'S MISSION STATEMENT

"To enhance the quality of urban life by providing safe, well maintained parks and offering affordable programs for the community."

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Permits & Rentals



Permits and Facilities Services

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department has many different venues available for rental. Whether you are planning a wedding, a family or neighborhood event, a company picnic or a sports tournament we have a site for you!

An area within a park may be reserved for personal use for private events by obtaining a permit through the Permits section of the Houston Parks and Recreation Department for a fee and refundable deposit. This permit ensures the exclusive use of a designated space for a designated time frame.

Park space, including pavilions, picnic table clusters and open space may be reserved for picnics, birthday parties, family or religious gatherings, weddings and more. Sports field rentals and reservations, with all the amenities, are also available year round at nominal fees for weekdays and weekends. When planning your event, it is very important to contact the Permits Office as early as possible to receive the most current information on the park or facility of your choice.

For information about permits for large public events, call the Mayor's Office of Special Events at (713) 437-6893.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday – Friday
Information: (713) 845-1003 (Outdoor Rentals)
(713) 845-1129 (Outdoor Rentals)
(713) 845-1206 (Sportsfield Rentals)
(713) 845-1218 (Sportsfield Rentals)

The Mayor's Office of Special Events

The Mayor's Office of Special Events (MOSE) produces and permits events for the City of Houston. City-wide and neighborhood festivals, dedications, inaugurations, parades, tree plantings, fun runs, galas, ground-breakings and holiday celebrations are examples of events coordinated by this office. The Mayor's Office of Special Events strives to produce events that enhance the image of the city and highlight Houston's diverse culture.

In addition to event production, the Mayor's Office of Special Events processes requests for special events, parade and street function permits, evaluates event co-sponsorship on city property, and provides production assistance for sponsored, co-sponsored or fee-paid events. The goal of the Mayor's Office of Special Events is to promote consistent quality, family oriented entertainment to Houston citizens and visitors.

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Monday – Friday
Information: (713) 437-6482 Special Event Permits
(713) 437-6294 Parades and Street Function Permits
www.houstonspecialevents.org



The Houston Garden Center

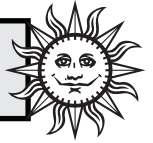
Wander the pathways of The Houston Garden Center and enjoy the sights and smells of over 2,500 roses. Identify your favorite rose, tree or flower on a casual stroll or plan your next event with the center as its backdrop. The gardens cover 6 acres of land and include the All-American Rose Selection Test Garden, the Bulb Garden, the Fragrant Garden, the Perennial Garden, the Camellia Garden, the Friendship Pavilion and the early stages of the International Garden.

Every year, the Garden Center serves as a backdrop for weddings, private functions, plant shows and various garden club meetings. Visit www.houstonparks.org for a listing of horticultural groups that meet at the Houston Garden Center throughout the year.

The center is located across from the Miller Outdoor Theatre and just east of the Houston Museum of Natural Science. For rental information, contact the Houston Garden Center Office during normal business hours.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday – Friday
Information: (713) 284-1989





Lake Houston Park

Lake Houston Park is a beautiful, lushly forested expanse of nearly 5,000 acres 30 miles north of Houston located 4 miles east of New Caney. It offers a variety of outdoor learning experiences for people of all ages.

Activities at Lake Houston Park include camping, hiking, biking, mountain biking, canoeing, kayaking and horseback riding (must bring own bikes, watercraft and horses). Most of the park is heavily forested with beautiful trails. It is a perfect spot for photography, nature study and bird watching.

Lake Houston Park is ideal for canoe adventures, but remember that conditions on natural waterways change without warning, so keep safety in mind as you paddle the creeks. Canoes can navigate Peach and Caney Creeks, although there may be low points that require portage. Please remember Lake Houston Park is not currently an access point for boating on Lake Houston. Campers can choose between walk-in campsites or cabin rentals. A Day Lodge complete with a kitchen is also available.

Program Dates: Year Round
Location: 22031 Baptist Encampment Road
New Caney, Texas 77357
Gates Open: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Sunday – Thursday)
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (Friday – Saturday)
Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (every day including weekends)
Information: (281) 354-6881
www.houstonparks.org

Park Fees:
Park Entry Fee: \$ 3.00 per person
Activity use fee: \$ 4.00 per person
Excess vehicle parking fee: \$ 2.00
Pine Grove Day Lodge Rental: \$100.00 per day
Forest Cottage Rental Fee: \$125.00 per night
Peach Creek Camp Rental Fee: \$ 40.00 per night
Walk-in Tent sites Rental Fee: \$ 7.00 each site





Permits & Rentals



Lake Houston Park Events

Each month Park Naturalist Jerry Walls leads park visitors on exciting, educational and just plain fun events that bring nature up close and personal. Check the list of Lake Houston Park Continuing Events below for a sample. You can find a complete schedule of monthly events at www.houstonparks.org. Most events are FREE with park entry fee but a few have additional charges which are noted in their description.

Peach Creek Peepers Bird Walk

Year-round, Every Third Saturday of each month

Walk on the wild side and update your bird count on this guided tour of Lake Houston Park and its avian inhabitants. Explore the natural world of Lake Houston and see how many of the 138 different species of birds that call this park their home you can spot. This fun & educational event is open to bird enthusiasts and novices alike from age 13 and up. FREE with Lake Houston Park \$3 entry fee per person aged 13 and up.

Park After Dark

For dates and times visit www.houstonparks.org

Is an exciting program that follows "Owls up Close." It includes listening for and observing the park's mysterious nocturnal creatures. The "Park After Dark" program is by reservation only and is open to ages 13 and up. This program is FREE with park entry fee but reservations are required.

Owl Prowl

For dates and times visit www.houstonparks.org

Learn interesting facts about those mysterious denizens of the night, owls. This multi-sensory presentation will fascinate nature lovers of all ages. Learn about the habits of several species of owls from all over the United States. All ages are welcome. This event is FREE with park entry fee

New Nature Center Opening Summer 2007

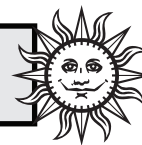
For dates and times visit www.houstonparks.org

The Lake Houston Park Nature Center will be moving into a new home this summer! Come and visit us! We're expanding our center to bring you more educational and fun events. Get up-close and personal with snakes, amphibians, turtles, tortoises, spiders, scorpions, fish and other creatures found in the park and in remote places of the world. Open to all ages. FREE with park entry fee.

Lake Houston Park Needs YOU!

If you'd like to volunteer at Lake Houston Park we'd love to hear from you! Volunteers have a variety of opportunities to choose from including leading nature walks, staffing the nature center, helping with trail maintenance and so much more. Volunteering is fun and easy! Call us for more information. Please note that a background check is required for all volunteers.

Information: (281) 354-6881
www.houstonparks.org



Summer Meals Program

School may be in recess for the summer but that doesn't mean the end to FREE lunches for students thanks to HPARD's FREE Summer Meals Program. Youth ages 1 – 18 can receive a FREE lunch and snack from May 29 to August 17, at over 350 sites throughout Houston and Harris County. Many of the sites are near elementary schools, middle schools and high schools. There's sure to be a site close to you. Participating sites include some HPARD community centers, churches, apartment complexes, learning centers, YMCAs and many other non-profit agencies.

To find a site near by call 2-1-1 and simply give them your zip code. They'll do the rest and find the site closest to you.

Ages: 1 - 18
Registration: Not Required
Program Dates: May 29 – August 17
Times: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (lunch)
 3:00 p.m. (snack)
Location: Call 2-1-1 for site location by zip code
Information: (713) 676-6832

Summer Enrichment Program

Enjoy arts and crafts, games, entertainment, special events, sports, water fun, nature explorations and a variety of day camp-style activities at HPARD Community Centers throughout Houston. This program is open to youth ages 6 – 13. Register at a community center near you. For a complete listing of community centers see page 31.

A fee is required for participation in this program; however, some participants may qualify for fee exemption. For details on the fee exemption policy, contact your community center personnel.

Ages: 6 - 13
Registration: May 1 – May 31
Fees: \$25 per child per week
 \$35 for two or more children per week
Program Dates: June 4 – August 10
Times: 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Location: HPARD Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1236
 (713) 845-8081
 (713) 845-1019

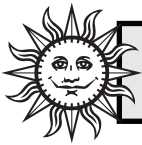
Summer Mural Painting Project

Would you like to add color and pizzazz to your neighborhood? Then get involved in HPARD's Summer Mural Painting Project. This program is a partnership between the Houston Parks and Recreation Department and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. It offers young artists ages 6 – 13 an opportunity to create art in the park. Each summer, Houston artists and children at select HPARD sites turn house paint and plywood panels into works of public art inspired by the children's communities and lives and by the art they see at the MFAH. Working together, the artists, children, MFAH and HPARD demonstrate that art belongs everywhere.

Participants must be registered in the Summer Enrichment Program at one of the selected parks. Class size is limited to 25 students per community center. This is a 3 - week program, which rotates through each of the selected community centers. The first mural project begins in June.

Ages: 6 - 13
Registration: May 1 – May 31
Program Dates: Begins in June
Times: Vary by community center
Location: Clark (KM 453B)
 9718 Clark, 77076
 Lakewood (KM 455G)
 8811 Feland, 77028
 Shady Lane (KM 414W)
 10220 Shady Lane, 77093
 Sharpstown (KM 530F)
 6600 Harbor Town, 77036
Information: (713) 845-1098





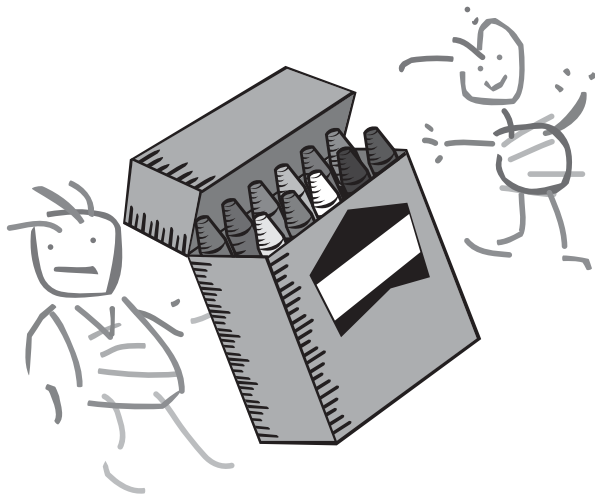
Amenities & Services



After School Enrichment Program

Enjoy arts and crafts, games, entertainment, special events, sports, field trips, nature explorations and a variety of FREE activities at HPARD Community Centers throughout Houston. This program is open to youth ages 6 - 13. Register at a community center near you. For a complete listing of community centers, see page 31.

Ages: 6 - 13
Registration: On going during community center hours
Fees: FREE
Program Dates: January 2 - May 12
Times: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Locations: All Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1236
(713) 845-8081
(713) 845-1019



ASK Athletes Seeking Knowledge

The Athletes Seeking Knowledge (ASK) Program was created by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department to help mold better student-athletes by offering tools and guidance for obtaining academic success.

FREE educational resources provided through the ASK program include: tutorial sessions at community centers, computer camps, professionally administered test preparation sessions (practice SAT exams), organized university tours and educational summits.

Ages: 13 - 18
Registration: Not Required
Fees: FREE
Locations: All Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1083
(713) 845-8094

D-Tag Program

D-Tag is a FREE tattoo removal program for youth and young adults, ages 10 - 24 years old, who reside in the greater Houston metropolitan area. This specialty service is a scheduled process for removing personal tattoos from youth in this age group. D-Tag was designed to help individuals re-enter mainstream society by removing tattoos which could identify them as participating in or supporting anti-social behavior.

The program is co-sponsored by the Houston Police Department. The program is FREE; however, participants must complete 6 hours of community service in advance of the procedure. All youth under the age of 17 must complete a parent / guardian permission form to participate. Registration is required.

Ages: 10 - 24
Registration: Required
Fees: FREE
With the completion of 6 community service hours in advance of procedure
Program Dates: Second Saturday of each month as scheduled quarterly
Location: Judson Robinson, Jr. Community Center (KM 533B)
2020 Hermann Drive
Information: (713) 845-8081
(713) 845-1098





Park Volunteer Programs

Every year the Parks and Recreation Department depends on hundreds of volunteers of all ages to assist in a variety of programs and activities from coaching youth sports teams to cleanup projects in neighborhood parks. We encourage individuals, businesses, youth and adult organizations and corporate sponsors to learn more about all the volunteer opportunities available at the Parks Department. Make a difference in your community, in the lives of children and in our park programs. Get involved and volunteer today!

Teen Summer Volunteer Program

Volunteer at your area community center and gain valuable experience in the recreational field, explore a potential career option and develop your personal and professional skills while giving back to your community. Volunteer opportunities include: Assisting with Summer Enrichment Program activities, Office Assistant duties, Receptionist duties and assisting in Swimming Pool Check-In. No experience is necessary. The completion of a Teen Volunteer Application Form is required.

Ages: 14 - 17
Registration: May 1 - Ongoing
During community center hours
Program Dates: June 4 - August 10
Times: 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Location: All area Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1319

Friends of the Park

Make a difference in your community by joining your neighborhood Friends of the Park Council. Your assistance is needed with volunteer opportunities, planning and assisting with special events and providing input regarding the community's programming needs.

Ages: 18 - older
Location: All Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1117

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Information: (281) 354-6881
www.houstonparks.org

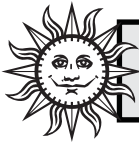
Adult Summer Volunteer Program

Volunteer at your area community center and gain valuable experience in the recreational field, explore a potential career option, develop your personal and professional skills while giving back to your community. Volunteer opportunities include: Assisting with Summer Enrichment Program activities, Office Assistant duties, Chaperone youth field trips, Receptionist duties, and Assisting in Swimming Pool Check-In. No experience is necessary.

An Adult Volunteer Application Form must be completed. All applicants must pass a City of Houston Background Check before being accepted as a volunteer.

Ages: 18 - older
Registration: May 1 - Ongoing
During community center hours
Program Dates: June 4 - August 10
Times: 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Location: All area Community Centers
Information: (713) 845-1319
(713) 845-1083





Volunteers, Internships & Advisory Groups



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Green Team Volunteer Program

Green Team volunteers provide landscaping maintenance and improvements, tree planting, park and/or bayou de-littering and help with beautification projects. Individuals, businesses, youth and adult organizations and corporate sponsors are all encouraged to participate in this program. Volunteer ages, dates and times of volunteer activity vary by event. All volunteers must complete a volunteer waiver form for each event.

Ages: Youth – Adult (varies with project)
Information: (713) 845-1117

Athletic Team Volunteer

Team volunteers serve as coaches, assistant coaches or provide support to youth participating in baseball, basketball, cycling, flag football, golf, soccer, track and field and volleyball. Volunteers must complete an application and successfully pass a background check to participate.

Ages: 18 - older
Information: (713) 845-1117

Internship Program

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department provides a professional environment in which undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate students may acquire experience, which relates to their academic course of study. The internship program is open to all students from an accredited college or university who are seeking and actively pursuing a career in the fields of recreation, park management or other related professions. You are welcome to apply to be an intern at the Houston Parks and Recreation Department.

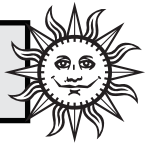
Ages: 18 - older
Information: (713) 845-1117

Eagle Scout Projects

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department welcomes project submission from Eagle Scout candidates for projects that benefit park green spaces, youth sports programs and our community centers.

Information: (713) 845-1117





Partnering with Parks

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) oversees 342 developed parks and more than 200 green spaces totaling over 38,945.42 acres of land. We are committed to providing the citizens we serve with educational and recreational programming; with responsible stewardship of Houston's parkland, greenspaces and urban forest; and with volunteering and partnership opportunities, for individuals and businesses alike, that support the City's parks.

Partnering with Parks can help your group meet organization's goals while improve the city's quality of life and providing one of the most visible and public ways to demonstrate your dedication and commitment to the environment and to the community. Public-private partnerships benefit all of us all won't you join us today to create something wonderful for all Houstonians!

Contact: Karen Cullar
Information: (713) 845-1022
karen.cullar@cityofhouston.net.

Here's a small sample of partnership opportunities available with the Houston Parks and Recreation Department:

Community Center Development

HPARD Community Centers serve as the center of the department's Recreation and Wellness programs. They provide a neighborhood gathering-place and provide programming and recreational leisure activities for all ages. They foster volunteerism, unite families, build cultural tolerance and support seniors, youth and people with disabilities. HPARD would like to build 10 more community centers to serve a greater number of Houston's citizens.

Soccer Fields

The phenomenal growth of soccer in the last 2 decades has resulted in a Nation-wide shortage of fields. The sport is expected to grow in popularity, leading even more youth and adult amateur teams and leagues to vie for space everyday of the week, especially inside Beltway 8. HPARD's goal is to build at least 12 soccer complexes by 2010. The 12 sites were selected for their demographics and ability to support 4 or more full-sized soccer fields.

Playgrounds without Limits

Playgrounds without Limits is a campaign to build at least 4 inclusive playgrounds (1 in each geographic quadrant of the city) by the year 2010. These playgrounds surpass ADA accessibility guidelines and provide a variety of play elements and activities for children of all abilities. Ramps and transfer systems address mobility issues, elements like elevated sand boxes provide children with sight impairment sensory-rich activities to enjoy and porch-swing gliders give children with wheelchairs the opportunity to enjoy a swing. Each Playground without Limits has an approximate cost of \$500,000.

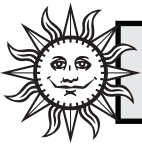
Houston Parks Adventure Program

The Houston Parks Adventure Program aims to promote nature education, conservation, and outdoor recreation through innovative and affordable programming that sparks the interest of all ages, especially youth. This program offers unique recreational and environmental education activities in parks aimed at developing an appreciation of our ecosystem; increasing skills and knowledge in activities like hiking, camping, fishing, and birding; and building an understanding of the important role parks play in our quality of life. Houston PARKS Adventure is designed to be a collaborative, community-based program targeted to impact at-risk, minority children and teens as well as women and seniors.

Park Playgrounds

Playgrounds provide kids with an opportunity for free unstructured play. For children play is an important factor in how they develop both socially and physically. It offers significant health benefits a is a crucial factor in the overall well being of children. Kids who play build their confidence and learn the social skills that help them become happy, well-adjusted adults. Approximately 200 new public park playgrounds are needed in Houston of varying size and components to match the needs of the park, neighborhood and age of the children playing on them.





Partnership Opportunities

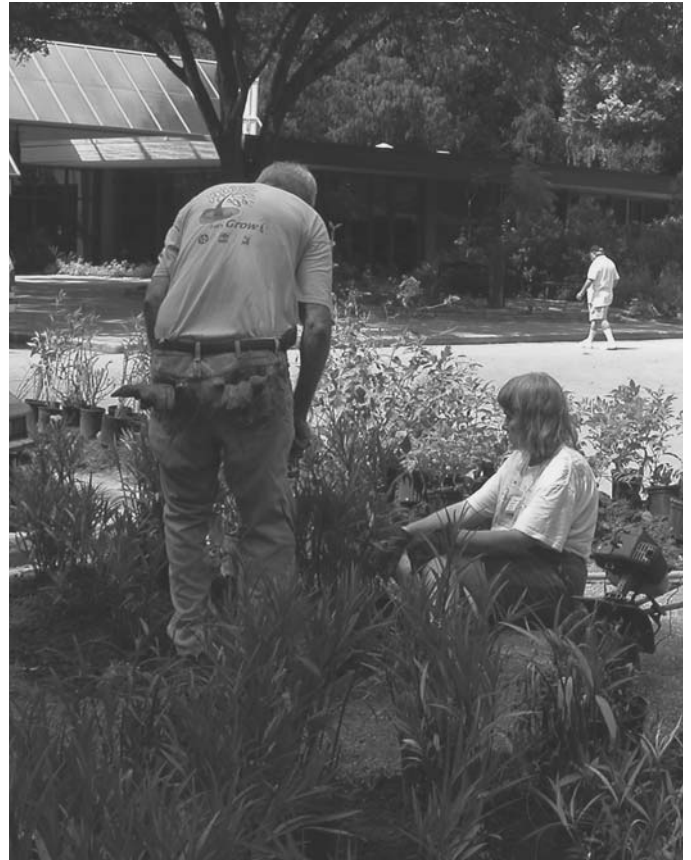


Brays Bayou Greenway Project

Brays Bayou Greenway Project is the recreational component of Project Brays (also known as the Brays Bayou Flood Damage Reduction Project). Project Brays is designed to benefit thousands of residents and businesses by reducing the risk of flood damage. Partners are needed to raise the matching funds required to leverage \$450 million of drainage infrastructure dollars to create an equivalent match in quality of life infrastructure.

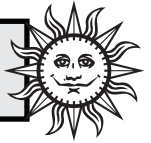
Willow Waterhole Greenway

Willow Waterhole is one of Project Brays' 4 large stormwater detention basins. It is a prime example of the partnership between HCFCF, the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, and the non-profit community organization Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy. While a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant was awarded to develop 60 acres of the stormwater detention basin over 200 acres of wet bottom detention basins and greenspace remain to be developed with passive recreational and aesthetic amenities. This remains a perfect opportunity for partners to become involved in a worthwhile project.



Lake Houston Park

Is a 4,500-acre "natural" park northeast of Houston acquired by the City from TPWD in 2006. It is managed for the City by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department. The park is on the central flyway for migratory birds of the U.S. and is recognized on the Great Texas Coastal Birding Trail (Upper). It provides camping facilities; hiking, biking and equestrian trails; water activities for kayaks and canoes; and natural areas for nature lovers and birders alike. Partnership and funding opportunities exist in many areas including the development of a Lake Houston Park Master Plan, the creation of a vehicle bridge, the development of a park headquarters and pavilion, the development of canoe and kayak facilities and the building of cabins and stables.



Let's Play Youth Sports Carnival

"Let's Play!" This fun-filled day will put the focus on sports and exercise. Come take part in various sports clinics including: rock climbing, flag football, basketball, soccer, baseball, volleyball, golf, tennis and KidFit type activities. If you have the energy, you can even compete in a talent show! This event is open to all youth, ages 6 - 13, who is registered in HPARD's Summer Enrichment Program at any HPARD community center.

Information on safety and healthy lifestyles will be available courtesy various community oriented organizations.

Ages: 6 - 17
Dates: July 20
Times: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Location: Marian Community Center (KM 530X)
11101 South Gessner, 77071
Information: (713) 845-1019
(713) 845-1083

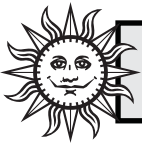


Animal Planet Expo

Animal Planet and Comcast have teamed up to bring Animal Planet Expo to Cullen Park on June 23 and 24. Expo is a free, fun filled family experience that even your cats and dogs will enjoy. A trip to Animal Planet Expo includes live animal shows from our main stage, face painters, the Discovery HD Theater Dome and much more.

Fee: FREE
Dates: June 23 - June 24
Location: Cullen Park (KM 447S)
19008 Saums / 18203 Groeschke
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.





Fitness Facilities

Memorial Fitness Center

The Memorial Park Fitness Center is a great place to get fit. The center is equipped with weights and cardiovascular equipment for your fitness needs. You can work out and get fit right in the middle of Memorial Park. Fee required.

Ages:	18 – Older
Registration:	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
Program Dates:	Year Round
Time:	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Monday – Friday) 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Saturday) 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Sunday)
Location:	Memorial Park (KM 492K) 6402 Arnot
Information:	(713) 802-1662
Fee Schedule:	
Monthly membership	\$20.00
Daily membership	\$ 1.75
Shower rental	\$.75
Towel rental	\$.50
Locker rental	\$.50

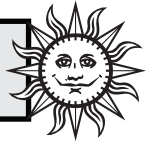


Racquetball at Judson Robinson, Jr. Community Center

Come and take advantage of 2 racquetball courts in the heart of Hermann Park. Bring a partner or play solo for your physical fitness workout regimen.

Location:	Judson Robinson, Jr. (KM 533B) 2020 Hermann Drive, 77004
Fee:	\$1.50 per 1/2 hour per court \$3.00 an hour per court
Court Hours:	9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. (Monday - Thursday) 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Friday) 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (Saturday)
Information:	(713) 284-1997





Youth Summer Basketball League

Would you like to shoot some hoops this summer and improve your basketball skills at the same time? Then register for the Houston Parks and Recreation Department's Youth Summer Basketball League. No experience is necessary. Teams and community based league play will be determined based on individual registration.

FREE t-shirts, equipment and instruction will be provided for youth ages 8 – 17*. Registration for all youth sports leagues will be held at select league locations 1 month before start date. Pre-registration is required. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Ages: 8 – 17 (as of September 1, 2006)*
Registration: May 1 – May 31
 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Program Dates: June 11 – July 21
Times: Monday – Friday, evening
 Saturday, morning and afternoon
Locations: League Play is offered at sites listed below
Information: (713) 845-1019
 (713) 845-1083

Northeast:

Moody (KM 453Y)	3725 Fulton, 77009	(713) 692-6925
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Northwest

Love (KM 452Z)	1000 West 12th, 77008	(713) 867-0497
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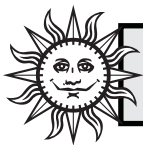
Southeast

Edgewood (KM 534X)	5803 Bellfort, 77033	(713) 734-8434
Hartman (KM 535C)	9311 E. Ave. P, 77012	(713) 928-4803

Southwest

Marian (KM 530X)	11101 S. Gessner, 77071	(713) 773-7015
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Youth Programs

Junior Golf Program

Learn the game of golf and much more through The First Tee of Houston at F.M. Law Park's golf program. The First Tee is dedicated to providing young people an opportunity to develop life-enhancing values such as honesty, integrity and sportsmanship through golf and character education.

Classes are offered in the mornings or afternoons throughout the summer. All classes are offered FREE of charge. All classes are taught at the First Tee of Houston at F.M. Law Park and are limited to the first 40 registrants. Classes fill quickly! All summer classes will be at the beginner level (PAR) only.

Ages: 5 – 18
Pre-registration: May 1
Session I Dates: June 5 – June 30
Session II Dates: July 17 – August 11
Times: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Location: F.M. Law Park (KM 530K)
 8400 Mykawa Road
Information: (713) 264-2100

Class Schedule

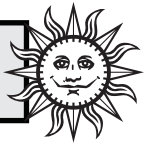
Session I

Tuesday	June 5 – June 26 (AM Class)	PAR
	June 5 – June 26 (PM Class)	PAR
Wednesday	June 6 – June 27 (AM Class)	PAR
	June 6 – June 27 (PM Class)	PAR
Thursday	June 7 – June 28 (AM Class)	PAR
	June 7 – June 28 (PM Class)	PAR
Saturday	June 9 – June 30 (AM Class)	PAR

Session II

Tuesday	July 17 – August 7 (AM Class)	PAR
	July 17 – August 7 (PM Class)	PAR
Wednesday	July 18 – August 8 (AM Class)	PAR
	July 18 – August 8 (PM Class)	PAR
Thursday	July 19 – August 9 (AM Class)	PAR
	July 19 – August 9 (PM Class)	PAR
Saturday	July 21 – August 11 (AM Class)	PAR



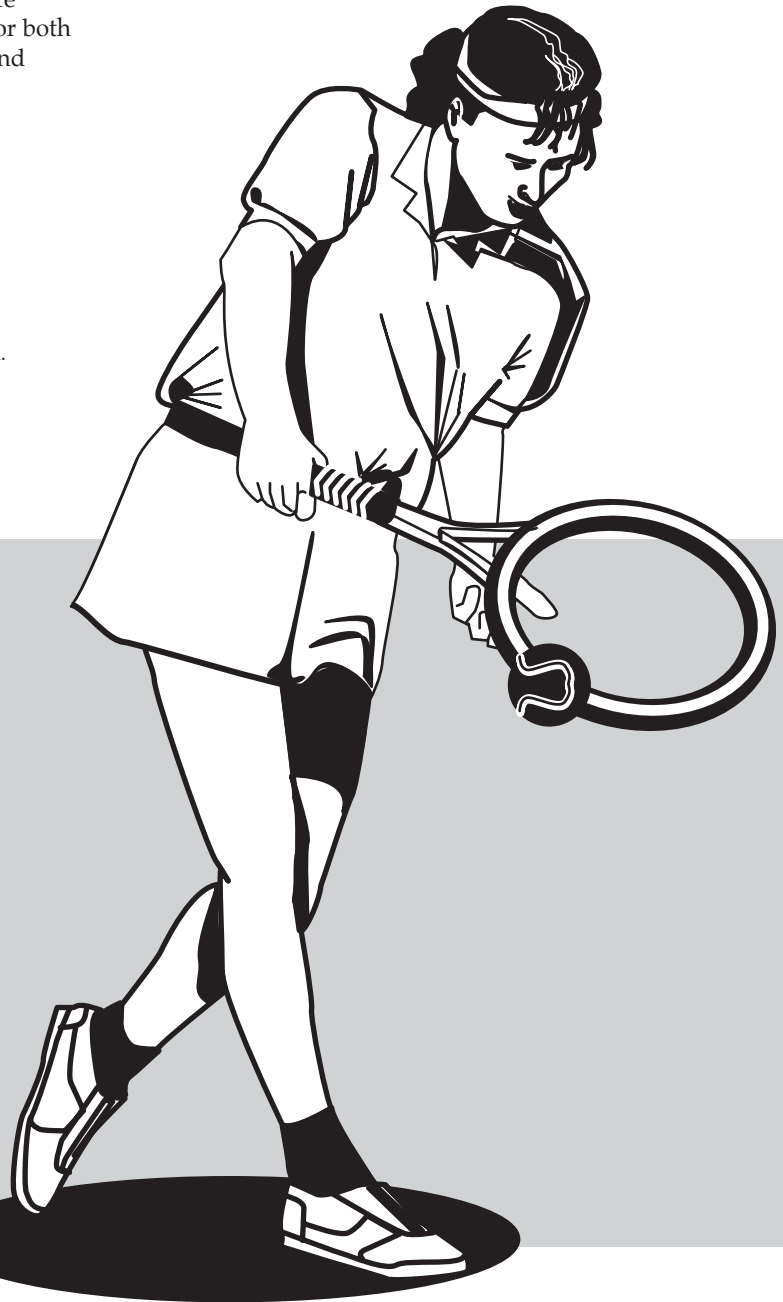


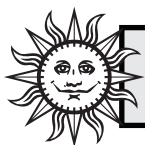
Summer Youth Tennis

The Youth Tennis Program is a FREE program offered at a variety of public parks throughout the year by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the Houston Tennis Association, Inc.-NJTL. The program is designed to provide children with the fundamentals of the game of tennis and educational components that develop life skills.

FREE tennis classes for ages 4 - 18 are offered at 36 parks throughout the Houston area. Two summer sessions are offered with morning and afternoon classes available for both sessions. Equipment is available for use during class and pre-registration is not necessary.

Ages:	4 - 18
Registration:	On site – First day of class
Session I Dates:	June 4 – June 28
Session II Dates:	July 2 – July 26
Times by Age Group:	4 - 6 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
	4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	7 - 10 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
	5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
	11 - 18 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
	6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Locations:	Classes are offered at 36 sites
Information:	(713) 803-1112





Youth Programs



Summer Youth Tennis Sites

Morning Sites

Central

River Oaks (KM 492S)	3600 Locke Lane, 77027	(713) 622-5998
Woodland (KM 493C)	212 Parkview, 77009	(713) 867-0401
Memorial Park (KM 492F)	1500 Memorial Loop, 77007	(713) 803-1112

North

Melrose (KM 413T)	1001 Canino, 77076	(281) 447-0514
Montie Beach (KM 453X)	915 Northwood, 77009	(713) 864-6820

West

Nottingham (KM 489E)	14205 Kimberley, 77079	(713) 803-1112
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Northeast

Finnigan (KM 494G)	4900 Providence, 77020	(713) 678-7385
Tidwell (KM 454D)	9720 Spaulding, 77016	(713) 636-8221

Northwest

Carverdale (KM 450A)	9920 Porto Rico, 77041	(713) 895-6141
Highland (KM 451D)	3316 DeSoto, 77091	(713) 956-9137

Southeast

Beverly Hills (KM 576S)	10201 Kingspoint, 77075	(713) 948-9065
Charlton (KM 535P)	8200 Park Place, 77017	(713) 645-3589
Hartman (KM 535C)	9311 E. Avenue P, 77012	(713) 928-4803

Southwest

Alief (KM 529E)	11903 Bellaire, 77072	(281) 564-8130
Briarmeadow (KM 490Z)	7000 Richmond, 77063	(713) 803-1112
Linkwood (KM 532P)	3699 Norris, 77025	(713) 314-3107
Platou (KM 571B)	11655 Chimney Rock, 77053	(713) 726-7107
Sunnyside (KM 533X)	3502 Bellfort, 77051	(713) 734-5061

Afternoon Sites

Central

Cherryhurst (KM 492V)	1700 Missouri, 77006	(713) 284-1992
Moody (KM 453Y)	3725 Fulton, 77009	(713) 692-6925
Metropolitan Multi-Service Center (KM 492R) **	1475 West Gray, 77019	(713) 284-1983

East

Clinton (KM 495U)	200 Mississippi, 77029	(713) 673-0955
Judson Robinson, Sr. (KM 495L)	1422 Ledwicke, 77029	(713) 674-2401
Settegast (KM 494N)	3000 Garrow, 77003	(713) 238-2200

West

Bendwood (KM 489H)	12700 Kimberley, 77024	(713) 803-1112
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Northeast

Hutcheson (KM 454U)	5400 Lockwood, 77026	(713) 803-1112
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Northwest

Oak Forest (KM 452N)	2100 Judiway, 77018	(713) 803-1112
Schwartz (KM 451N)	8203 Vogue, 77055	(713) 803-1112

Southeast

Crestmont (KM 574J)	5200 Selinsky, 77048	(713) 733-2236
Dow (KM 535X)	7942 Rockhill, 77061	(713) 803-1112
Sagemont (KM 576Y)	11507 Hughes, 77089	(281) 922-2343
Wilson Memorial (KM 576G)	100 Gilpin, 77034	(713) 803-1112

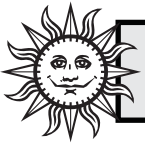
Southwest

Haviland (KM 570H)	11600 Haviland, 77035	(713) 803-1112
Meyerland (KM 531Q)	5151 Jason, 77096	(713) 803-1112
Sharpstown (KM 530F)	6600 Harbor Town, 77036	(713) 988-5328
Windsor Village (KM 471P)	14441 Croquet, 77085	(713) 726-7113

**Metropolitan Multi-Service Center focuses on individuals with physical disabilities who have independent functioning.

Class times: 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. for ages 13 - under
5:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. for ages 14 - older





Youth Programs



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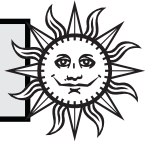
FREE HERSHEY'S TRACK AND FIELD PROGRAM

If you like to RUN, JUMP or THROW, the Houston Parks and Recreation Department invites you to join the FREE Hershey's Track and Field Program in conjunction with the National Recreation Foundation. Boys and girls, ages 6 – 14*, will learn basic track and field events and have the opportunity to advance to state finals. Hershey's Track and Field Program is open to all track and field clubs and school team members and individuals. No experience is necessary. Free t-shirt will be provided

Events include: 50-meter dash, 100-meter dash, 200, 400, 800 and 1600-meter run, 4x100-meter relay, standing long jump and softball throw. Register at your local community center.

Ages:	6 – 14 (as of December 13, 2007)*
Registration:	April 3 – July 3
Track Meet Dates:	June 6, Wednesday June 13, Wednesday July 3, Tuesday
Times:	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location:	Barnett Sports Complex 6800 Fairway (713) 845-1019
Information:	(713) 845-1083





Youth Soccer League

This fun recreational soccer program is designed to encourage youth to develop both physically and socially through the sport of soccer. Players will sharpen their skills while learning the importance of sportsmanship and fair play. No experience is necessary. Leagues run 8 weeks.

FREE Houston Youth Soccer League t-shirts and shin-guards will be provided for youth ages 4 – 18* courtesy Fiesta. This program is offered year round. Teams and community based league play will be determined based on individual registration. Proof of birth date and photo ID will be required for new players.

Ages: 4 – 18 (as of September 1, 2006)*
Registration: May 1 – May 31
Fees: FREE
Program Dates: June 11 – July 21
Times: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Monday - Friday
 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday **
Locations: League play is offered at 6 sites
Information: (713) 845-1083
 (713) 845-1019

** Morning and Afternoon games

Northeast

Melose Park (KM 413T)	1001 Canino, 77076	(281) 447-0514
Moody (KM 453Y)	3725 Fulton, 77009	(713) 692-6925

Northwest

Montie Beach (KM 453X)	915 Northwood, 77009	(713) 864-6820
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Southeast

Ingrando (KM 535F)	7302 Keller, 77012	(713) 643-4764
Milby (KM 535G)	2001 Central, 77017	(713) 645-8433

Southwest

Alief (KM 529E)	11903 Bellaire, 77072	(281) 564-8130
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Houston Futbolito (Soccer) League

Register for the Houston Parks and Recreation Department's Fall Youth 6 vs. 6 Futbolito League. Experience a faster paced game while improving your soccer skills! No experience is necessary. FREE Houston Youth Soccer league t-shirts and a pair of shin guards will be provided for participants.

Registration for all youth sports leagues will be held at select league locations one month before start date. Teams and community based league play will be determined based on individual registration. Pre-registration is required. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Registration: May 1 – May 31
Fees: FREE
Program Dates: June 11 – July 21
Times: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Monday - Friday
 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Saturday **
Information: (713) 845-1083
 (713) 845-1019
Sites: League play is offered at 2 sites

** Morning and Afternoon games

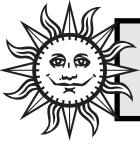
Northeast

Clark (KM 453B)	9718 Clark, 77076	(713) 742-1497
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Southeast

Eastwood (KM 494T)	5020 Harrisburg, 77011	(713) 928-4801
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Adult Programs



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Adult Softball Season

Slow pitch and fast pitch softball leagues are offered during the spring, summer, fall and winter seasons. Divisions offered include Men's B/C/D, Co-ed C/D and Seniors (50 +). Games played Monday through Friday, for a 5-week doubleheader season (10 games total). Fee required.

Ages:	18 - older
Registration Dates:	June 9 – June 29
League Dates:	July 19 – August 24
League Format:	5-Week Doubleheader (10 games total)
Locations:	Memorial Park (KM492K) 6501 Memorial Drive Cullen Park (KM447S) 19008 Saums Road Hermann Brown Park (KM496A) 300 Oates Road T.C. Jester Park (KM451M) 4201 TC Jester, West Cleveland Park -Tim Hearn Field (KM492M) 200 Jackson Hill Men's B/C/D, Coed C/D and Seniors (50 +)
Divisions:	
Days:	Monday - Friday
Time:	6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Fee:	\$250 - \$300 per team
Information:	(713) 845-1190

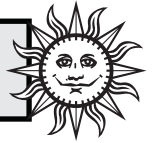


Adult Sand Volleyball Season

Adult Sand Volleyball will be offered for the Summer Season. Divisions offered are Co-ed D (no senior league is offered). Leagues are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for an 8-week season plus playoffs. Fee required.

Ages:	18 - older
Registration Dates:	May 1 – May 25
League Dates:	May 29 – July 26
League Format:	8-Week Single Season + Playoffs
Location:	Memorial
Divisions:	Coed D
Days:	Tuesday and Thursday
Time:	6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee:	\$180 per team
Information:	(713) 845-1190





HPARD Aquatics Services Summer Schedule

When school lets out for summer municipal pools open to provide Safe and Fun swimming opportunities for all. With 39 swimming pools located throughout Houston and 13 water playgrounds there's sure to be an aquatic facility close-by for your family to enjoy.

In addition, the HPARD Aquatics staff is ready to help you stay safe throughout the summer with twice daily Water Program Activities and Safety Tips sessions. This organized program provides youth and adults an opportunity to review survival skills and participate in aquatic programming throughout the summer. The first 2 weeks will consist of reviewing the first 4 levels of swimming progressions and a water safety tip of the day. The third to twelfth week of the program will consist of aquatic games, swimming demos and water fitness activities along with a safety tip of the day.

All public pools will be closed on Mondays throughout the summer. For swimming lessons, information and schedule call (713) 845-1009

Ages: Open to all ages
Registration: Daily sign-in required
Program Dates: May 26 – August 17
 Closed on Mondays
Times: 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Holiday Times: May 28, Memorial Day
 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 July 4, Independence Day
 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Location: See Public Pool List
Information: (713) 845-1009

HPARD Aquatics Services Fall Schedule

When students make their way back to school public pools will operate on a reduced schedule. Beginning on August 15 through September 4, pools will be closed Monday through Friday. Check www.houstonparks.org for an update on fall pool hours.

Ages: Open to all ages
Registration: Daily sign-in required
Program Dates: August 18 – September 3
 Closed Monday through Friday
Holiday Schedule: Labor Day, September 3
 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fall Schedule: Saturday and Sunday
 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Information: (713) 845-1009





Public Pool List

Central

Ervan Chew (KM 492Z)	4400 Dunlavy, 77006	(713) 284-1307
Memorial (KM 492K)	6402 Arnot, 77007	(713) 862-1426

North

Northline (KM 413W)	911 Nordling, 77076	(713) 742-1512
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Northeast

Clinton (KM 495U)	203 Mississippi, 77029	(713) 675-9336
Selena Quintanilla Perez /		
Denver Harbor (KM 494H)	1020 Gazin, 77020	(713) 673-7140
Finnigan (KM 494G)	4900 Providence, 77020	(713) 673-7311
Greenwood (KM 497A)	602 Beresford, 77015	(713) 455-5165
Hobart Taylor (KM 455P)	8100 Kenton, 77028	(713) 673-3774
Judson Robinson, Sr. (KM 495L)	1422 Ledwicke, 77029	(713) 672-8958
Moody (KM 453Y)	3201 Fulton, 77009	(713) 238-2215
Tidwell (KM 454D)	9720 Spaulding, 77016	(713) 633-1618
Tuffly (KM 494B)	3200 Russell, 77026	(713) 674-3367

Northwest

Agnes Moffit (KM 449R)	10645 Hammerly, 77043	(713) 468-5666
Independence Heights (KM 453N)	603 East 35 th , 77022	(713) 862-1284
Lincoln City (KM 412Q)	1048 Grenshaw, 77088	(281) 447-2525
Love (KM 452Z)	1000 West 12 th , 77008	(713) 867-0490
Oak Forest (KM 452N)	1400 Dubarry, 77018	(713) 684-1819
Schwartz (KM 451N)	8203 Vogue, 77055	(713) 973-6310
Stude (KM 493B)	1031 Stude, 77007	(713) 862-5762
T.C. Jester (KM 451M)	4205 T.C. Jester, 77018	(713) 686-6800

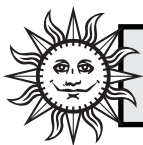
Southeast

Beverly Hills (KM 576S)	9800 Kingspoint, 77075	(713) 948-9063
Cloverland (KM 573L)	11800 Scott, 77047	(713) 734-8948
DeZavala (KM 495S)	7521 Avenue H., 77012	(713) 923-7220
Eastwood (KM 494T)	5000 Harrisburg, 77011	(713) 923-8058
George T. Nelson (Yellowstone) (KM 533L)	6900 LaSalette, 77021	(713) 748-0449
Glenbrook (KM 535Q)	8201 North Bayou, 77017	(713) 645-7187
MacGregor (KM 534E)	5225 Calhoun, 77021	(713) 748-0317
Mason (KM 535A)	541 South 75 th , 77023	(713) 928-4826
Reveille (KM 535S)	7700 Oak Vista, 77087	(713) 645-6544
Sageмонт (KM 576Y)	11507 Hughes, 77089	(281) 922-2312

Southwest

Alief (KM 529E)	11903 Bellaire, 77072	(281) 983-8137
Emancipation (KM 493U)	3018 Dowling, 77004	(713) 284-1977
Lansdale (KM 530K)	8201 Roos, 77036	(713) 272-3687
Sharpstown (KM 530F)	6600 Harbor Town, 77036	(713) 272-3690
Sunnyside (KM 533X)	3502 Bellfort, 77051	(713) 734-0757
Townwood (KM 572P)	3402 Simsbroom, 77045	(713) 433-6221
Westbury (KM 531W)	10605 Mullins, 77096	(713) 723-2192
Windsor Village (KM 571 P)	14441 Croquet, 77085	(713) 726-7112





Aquatics



Learn to Swim

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the American Red Cross, the nationwide leading provider of aquatics programs, will be conducting Learn to Swim classes at select HPARD pools throughout the city during the summer. Swim lessons are available for both children and adults. Registration applications are available at all HPARD Community Centers or on line at www.houstonparks.org under Aquatics. On-site registration is also available on-site at the beginning of a Class Session.

Ages:	6 - older Includes adults 18 years and older
Pre-Registration:	Applications available at all Community Centers and on line at www.houstonparks.org
On-Site Registration:	First day of each Class Session 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. (morning classes) 5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. (evening classes)
Fee:	\$25.00 Make check payable to "The American Red Cross"
Session I Dates:	June 12 – June 22
Session II Dates:	June 26 – July 6
Session III Dates:	July 10 – July 20
Session IV Dates:	July 24 – August 3
Information:	(713) 526-8300 American Red Cross www.houstonparks.org

Learn to Swim Pool List

Selena Quintanilla Perez / Denver Harbor (KM494H)	1020 Gazin, 77020	(713) 673-7140
Greenwood (KM 497A)	602 Beresford, 77015	(713) 455-5165
MacGregor (KM 534D)	5225 Calhoun, 77021	(713) 748-0317
Memorial (KM 492K)	6402 Arnot, 77007	(713) 862-1426
Northline (KM 413W)	911 Nordling, 77076	(713) 742-1512
Reveille (KM 535S)	7700 Oak Vista, 77087	(713) 645-6544
Sagemont (KM 576Y)	11507 Hughes, 77089	(281) 922-2312
Schwartz (KM 451N)	8203 Vogue, 77055	(713) 973-6310
Sharpstown (KM 530F)	6600 Harbor Town, 77036	(713) 272-3690
Stude (KM 493B)	1031 Stude, 77007	(713) 686-6800
Sunnyside (KM 533X)	3502 Bellfort, 77051	(713) 734-0757
T.C. Jester (KM 451M)	4205 T.C. Jester, 77018	(713) 686-6800
Tidwell (KM 454D)	9720 Spaulding, 77016	(713) 633-1618



New for 2007 - Learn to Swim for Parent/Child

Parent/Child Swim classes are available for the first time this year for children ages 6 months – 5 years. This class is specifically designed for this age group and builds swimming readiness by emphasizing fun in the water. Parents and children participate in several guided practice sessions that help children learn elementary skills, including water entry, bubble blowing, front kicking, back floating, underwater exploration and more. Once children can perform basic skills without parental assistance, they may begin Learn-to Swim.

Ages:	6 months – 5 years
Fee:	\$25.00 Make check payable to "The American Red Cross"
Lesson Time:	5:15 p.m. - 5:55 p.m.
Information:	(713) 526-8300 American Red Cross www.houstonparks.org

Learn to Swim for Parent/Child Pool List

Selena Quintanilla Perez / Denver Harbor (KM494H)	1020 Gazin, 77020	(713) 673-7140
Memorial (KM 492K)	6402 Arnot, 77007	(713) 862-1426
Sharpstown (KM 530F)	6600 Harbor Town, 77036	(713) 272-3690
Stude (KM 493B)	1031 Stude, 77007	(713) 686-6800



Learn to Swim for Adults

This class is designed for adults with minimal or no swimming experience, or those who need assistance adjusting to a water environment. This group setting class will provide an appropriate level of instruction for adults wanting to discover the benefits of learning how to swim and be safe in and around water and those wishing to improve their stroke mechanics.

Ages:	18 - older
Fee:	\$25.00 Make check payable to "The American Red Cross"
Lesson Time:	6:05 p.m. or 6:55 p.m.
Information:	(713) 526-8300 American Red Cross www.houstonparks.org

Learn to Swim for Adults Pool List

Selena Quintanilla Perez / Denver Harbor (KM494H)	1020 Gazin, 77020	(713) 673-7140
Memorial (KM 492K)	6402 Arnot, 77007	(713) 862-1426
Sharpstown (KM 530F)	6600 Harbor Town, 77036	(713) 272-3690
Stude (KM 493B)	1031 Stude, 77007	(713) 686-6800



Tennis

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department provides three geographically diverse Tennis Centers for citizens' enjoyment. Centers feature well-maintained grounds and courts, and are located close to the majority of the City's population. Each Center has a pro shop, and offers locker and shower facilities for a nominal fee.

Tournaments, leagues, corporate outings and other events may be scheduled by calling any of the centers. Lessons may be scheduled with the Center Staff.

Visit www.houstonparks.org for more information, as well as a list of neighborhood tennis courts.

Information: (713) 803-1112

Homer Ford Tennis Center

The Homer Ford Tennis Center is located in MacGregor Park. It provides 16 courts plus a practice wall. Fees listed are per court for 1 1/2 hours of use.

Program Dates: Year Round
Time: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Weekdays)
 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Weekends)
Location: Inside MacGregor Park, (KM 534E)
 5225 Calhoun
Information: (713) 842-3460

Juniors	\$1.00 (Weekdays prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Walk-on	\$2.50 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Reserved	\$3.00 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Evening & Weekend Walk-on	\$4.50
Evening & Weekend Reserved	\$5.00
Tournaments and leagues:	Contact Center

Memorial Park Tennis Center

The Memorial Park Tennis Center is located in Memorial Park. It provides 18 courts plus a practice wall. Fees listed are per court for 1 1/2 hours of use. A Smoothie King concession is located inside the pro shop.

Program Dates: Year Round
Time: 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Weekdays)
 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Weekends)
Location: Memorial Park (KM492F)
 1500 Memorial Loop
Information: (713) 867-0440

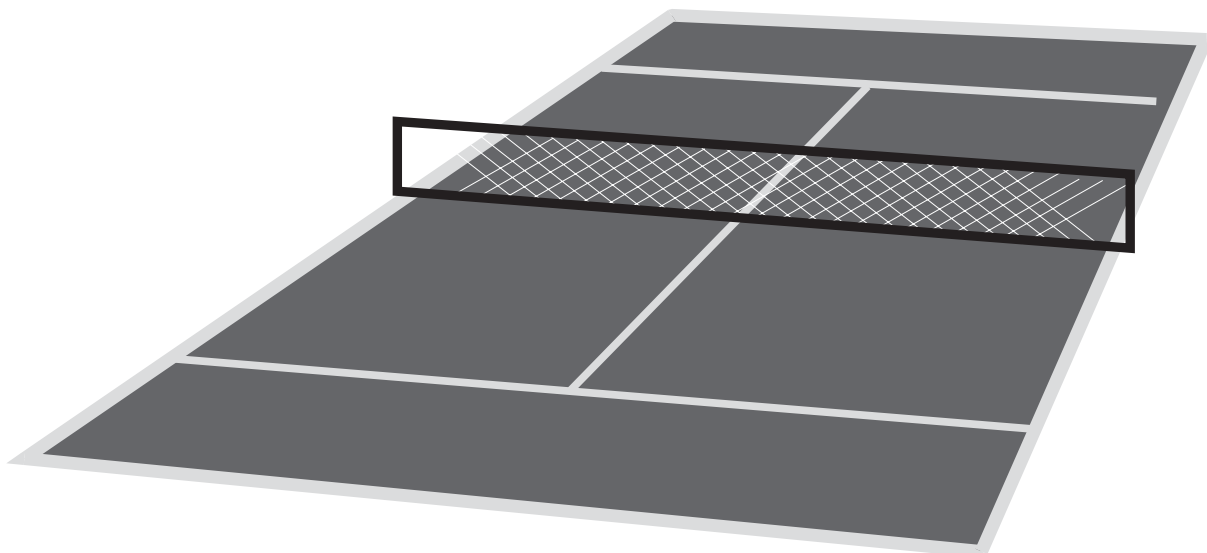
Juniors	\$2.00 (Weekdays prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Walk-on	\$3.50 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Reserved	\$4.00 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Evening & Weekend Walk-on	\$5.50
Evening & Weekend Reserved	\$6.00
Tournaments and leagues	Contact Center

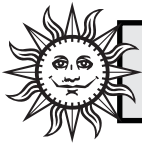
Lee LeClear Tennis Center

The Lee LeClear Tennis Center is located in Braeburn Glen Park. It provides 26 courts plus 2 practice walls. Fees listed are per court for 1 1/2 hours of use.

Program Dates: Year Round
Time: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Weekdays)
 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Weekends)
Location: Inside Braeburn Glen Park (KM 530T)
 9506 S. Gessner
Information: (713) 272-3697

Juniors	\$2.00 (Weekdays prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Walk-on	\$3.50 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Weekday Reserved	\$4.00 (Prior to 6:00 pm)
Evening & Weekend Walk-on	\$5.50
Evening & Weekend Reserved	\$6.00
Tournaments and leagues:	Contact Center





Golf



Golf Course Information and Green Fees

The Parks and Recreation Department provides 7 challenging golf courses for citizens' enjoyment. From the highly acclaimed Memorial Park (the #1 municipal course in the state!), to the well maintained and lower priced Brock Park and Gus Wortham Park courses, there is something for every golfer. Memorial, Hermann and Gus Wortham are all located inside the loop. Sharpstown, one of Houston's most popular and most walkable courses, is close in on the Southwest side. Brock offers opportunities to Northeast golfers, while Glenbrook provides a venue in the Southeast area of the City. Melrose, in the North Central, offers a chance to practice short-game skills with its 18 par -3 holes.

All courses except Glenbrook have driving ranges, and all have practice putting and chipping greens. Pro shops are available at all courses. Dining facilities are available at all courses except Melrose. All courses are non-metal spike facilities.

Weekday fees apply Monday through Thursday. Weekend fees apply Friday through Sunday, and all City Holidays. Junior (18 – under) and Senior (65 – older) rates are offered on weekdays only. Twilight start times vary by season. Please call the course.

For tee time reservations (except Memorial), please call the course 3 days ahead of the desired date. For Memorial, log on to www.houstonparks.org and access the Memorial Park tee time reservation system. For information on all the courses, visit www.houstonparks.org. Lessons from qualified instructors are available at all courses. Tournament and corporate outings may be scheduled by calling any of the courses.

(Note: Prices subject to change without notice. Extra fee applies for use of electric golf car)



Memorial Park Golf Course began in 1923 as a 9-hole sand green course built near the hospital at Camp Logan for use by convalescent soldiers. When the hospital closed, the course was opened to the public. In an ambitious effort to enhance

parks across the city, the Parks and Recreation Department in 1935 began constructing an illustrious 18-hole golf course. In July of the following year, the first ball was teed off on what architect John Bredemus called his "greatest golf course ever." Through the years, Memorial Park Golf Course hosted many famous golfers such as Babe Didrikson Zaharias, Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Charles Sifford. It was also the home of the Houston Open from 1951 to 1963. In 1995, the newly renovated 260-acre course opened with a lighted driving range, putting and chipping greens and a beautiful new clubhouse facility featuring an expanded pro shop and a Beck's Prime Restaurant. Today, Memorial Park Golf Course is known as one of the best municipal courses in the nation and is visited by more than 60,000 patrons each year. Houston is proud to call Memorial Park Golf Course the crown jewel of Memorial Park.

Location: 1001 East Memorial Loop Drive
Information: (713) 862-4033

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 8.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$12.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$26.00
Weekday Twilight	\$18.00
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$37.00
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$24.00



The Hermann Park Golf Course is a jewel nestled in the center of the Bayou City. Since 1922, the lush and scenic Hermann Park Golf Course has been at the center of

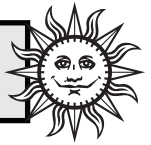
a rich tradition of golfing excellence. The course was fully renovated in 1998. The clubhouse is located at the corner of Almeda and North MacGregor, and from there you set out on this short, but challenging and enjoyable course. Water toughens the course, coming into play on half the holes. You'll find no more enjoyable way to experience George Hermann's legacy than playing this 18-hole oasis in the very heart of Houston.

Hermann has a driving range, practice putting green, pro shop and complete snack bar. It is managed for HPARD by BSL Golf Corp. Sales tax is additional on all fees.

Location: 2155 N. MacGregor
Information: (713) 526-0777

(Carts required Weekend mornings)

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 6.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$ 9.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$21.50
Weekday Twilight	\$14.34
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$30.64
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$18.78



Sharpstown

Welcome to Houston's "Best Golfing Value." Sharpstown Golf Course has earned this reputation by providing outstanding customer service and excellent facility conditions, while offering some of the lowest fees in the gulf coast area. Sharpstown Golf Course is located in the heart of southwest Houston, one mile west of Hwy 59 and just 1 block north of Bellaire Blvd. on Harbor Town Drive. Sharpstown's convenient location allows for quick access from anywhere in the greater Houston area.

Recent improvements at Sharpstown include new cart paths, improved drainage, reconstructed bunkers, tees and lakes. The 18 hole, par 70 course has 4 sets of tees, allowing moderate degrees of difficulty for the novice and beginner, yet enough length (6,660 from the back tees) to test the avid and skilled player.

Sharpstown's amenities include a driving cage for practice or warming up, 2 putting greens, a chipping green, full service pro shop, café and beverage cart and golf professionals who are available for lessons. Tee-times are available on weekends and holidays.

Location: 6600 Harbor Town
Information: (713) 988-2099

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 6.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$10.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$15.00
Weekday Twilight	\$12.00
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$20.00
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$15.00



Gus Wortham provides challenges not regularly found in Houston. Elevated tees and uphill carries to greens make you use all your clubs. The course is relatively wide open, making it attractive for all levels of golfers. The front 9 features 3 consecutive par 5 holes, 2 of which you may want to go for in 2. Your shot-making skills will be tested on several of the "short but challenging" par 4. Playing to as much as 6,400 yards, Gus Wortham is a fun course located only minutes from downtown and inside the loop. A full driving range is available for practice or warming up. Additional practice areas include a putting green, chipping green and practice bunker. The pro shop staff is available for lessons. Tee times are available on weekends and holidays. Gus Wortham has a fully stocked pro shop and full snack bar.

Location: 7000 Capital
Information: (713) 928-4260

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 5.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$ 8.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$14.00
Weekday Twilight	\$11.00
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$19.00
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$13.50

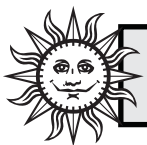


Melrose Park Golf Course is one of the few 18 hole par-3 golf courses in the state and it is lighted for night play! Located on Canino Road, between Airline Drive and the Hardy Toll Road, Melrose also offers a lighted driving range with a grass hitting area, chipping green, practice bunker and practice putting green. With holes ranging in length from 70 yards to 145 yards, you will get the opportunity to work on all aspects of your short iron game. Imagine being able to play 18 holes in less than 2 hours and have a chance for a hole-in-one on every hole!

Melrose is managed for HPARD by Walton Golf Enterprises. Individual lessons and group clinics are available. Spring and summer hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Contact the course for further information.

Location: 401 Canino
Information: (281) 931-4666

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 6.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$ 6.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$10.00
Weekday Night	\$11.00
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$12.00
Weekend/Holiday Night	\$14.00



Golf



Glenbrook Golf Course

Glenbrook Park Golf Course is located south/southeast of downtown Houston and is managed for HPARD by the Lopez Management Group. Glenbrook is located along Sims Bayou, with 7 holes crossing the waterway. Currently playing to 6,400 yards, Glenbrook is undergoing work that will improve its length when completed this spring. Tee times are available on Thursday morning at 7:00 a.m. for Friday, Saturday and Sunday starting times. Sales tax on fees is additional.

Location: 8205 Bayou Drive
Information: (713) 649-8089

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 5.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$ 8.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$14.00
Weekday Twilight	\$11.00
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$19.00
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$13.50



Brock Golf Course

Welcome to Houston's "Best Kept Secret," Brock Park Golf Course, quietly tucked in northeast Houston, far from the noise, but less than 20 minutes from downtown. Brock Park is managed and maintained by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department's golf operations division staff. This tree-lined course has been one of the City's fine municipal courses since 1972. Brock plays to 6,427 yards with elevation changes unlike most courses in the area. It combines risk and reward on many holes, and requires good shot selection and execution on others. Greens Bayou comes into play on 4 holes, and creeks cross 4 others. Good scores can be found at Brock, provided you stay out of the trees!

A driving range is available for practice or for warming up. Additional practice areas include a putting green, chipping green and practice bunker. The pro shop staff is available for lessons. Tee times are available on weekends and holidays. Brock Park is a non-metal spike facility with a fully stocked pro shop and snack bar.

Location: 8201 John Ralston Road
Information: (281) 458-1350

Junior (Weekday only)	\$ 5.00
Senior/Disabled (Weekday only)	\$ 7.00
Weekday (Monday - Thursday)	\$12.00
Weekday Twilight	\$ 8.50
Weekend/Holiday (Friday - Saturday)	\$17.00
Weekend/Holiday Twilight	\$12.00





Adaptive Sports and Recreation

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department provides access to year round activities for children and adults with disabilities through the Adaptive Recreation Division located at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray.

In addition to providing activities, the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center partners with organizations that serve children and adults with disabilities. The Adaptive Recreation staff knows that, after learning new skills and redefining their abilities, participants are able to feel the freedom of recreating. These experiences often result in increased self-confidence and self esteem greater success in academic, professional and personal life challenges and overall improved health.

Partnerships

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department maintains partnerships with several organizations that provide services for people with disabilities. Please call the appropriate organization to access the following:

Wheelchair Soccer and Bocce

Greater Houston Athletic Association for Physically Disabled
(713) 521-3737

Tai Chi and Exercise for Adults with Parkinson

Houston Area Parkinson Society
(713) 313-1652

Monthly Dance/Social

for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities
The Arc of Greater Houston
(713) 957-1600

Fine Arts Education for Special Children and Siblings

with disabilities, chronic illnesses or are economically disadvantaged (ages 2-19)
The River Performing and Visual Arts
(713) 520-1220



Adaptive Sports and Recreation Aquatics Program

The heated, indoor natatorium provides a great environment for people with disabilities to exercise. Programs include water exercise, open swim and water walking. Participants are required to have independent functioning mobility skills or bring an adult attendant to assist.

Ages: Youth and Adult
Registration: Required
Program Dates: Year round
Times: Vary
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
1475 West Gray
Information: (713) 284-1973

Adult Recreation Fitness Center

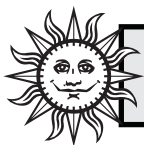
The Metropolitan Multi-Service Fitness Center is specifically designed to be used by adults with a physically disability including visually impaired and blind who are able to function independently. The facility is equipped with wheelchair accessible upper body weight equipment along with cardio machines to get your heart pumping. Pre-registration and a safety briefing are required before using this facility.

Ages: 16 - older
Registration: Required
Days and Times: 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Friday
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
1475 West Gray
Information: (713) 284-1983

Amputee Support Group Meetings

Come share your experience or get support from those who understand what you're going through. The monthly meeting for amputees is scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month May 8 - September 11. The support group is for any amputee and family members including new amputee.

Ages: 16 - older
Registration: Required
Program Dates: May 8 – September 11
2nd Tuesday of Every Month
Times: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
1475 West Gray
Information: (713) 284-1973



Adaptive Recreation & Wellness



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Blind Fury Dragon Boat Race Team

This fun and physical activity is for adults who are blind or visually impaired and function independently. The first meeting and practice will be poolside, Thursday, March 29 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center. The first practices will be held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center pool and progress to a nearby lake in preparation for the Dragon Boat Regatta. No experience is necessary.

Ages:	16 - older
Registration:	Required
First Meeting Date:	March 29
Times:	T.B.A.
Location:	Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 West Gray
Information:	(713) 284-1973



Adult Wheelchair Football & Basketball

Weekly practice and play throughout the summer is scheduled for adults age 16 and up. Participants must have independent functioning skills to participate in the program. This is a recreational wheelchair flag football activity for adults, with independent functioning skills. Rules are adapted so individuals who normally use a motorized chair can participate. Practices will be held as well as games with community groups. Registration is required.

Ages:	16 - older
Registration:	Required
Program Dates:	Days and Times Vary
Location:	T.B.A. (will be determined based on registration)
Information:	(713) 284-1973

Adult Beep Baseball

Desire, determination, teamwork and skill make Adult Beep Baseball a fun activity for the blind and visually impaired adults. You can be a part of the excitement by registering for HPARD'S Beep Baseball program. Team practice will be held during the summer.

Program day and time will be determined based on registration. Registration is required.

Ages:	16 - older
Registration:	Ongoing
Program Dates:	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Times:	6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Location:	Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 West Gray
Information:	(713) 284-1973



Adolescent Bariatric Surgery Program Support Group

The support group is hosted monthly for adolescence and family by Texas Children's Hospital staff and is held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center. In partnership, the adaptive recreation staff plans and conducts physical activities for the participants each month.

Dates: 2nd Tuesday of every month
Times: 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
 1475 West Gray
 Trish Walters-Salas, BSN, RN,
 CCM Case Manager
 Bariatric Surgery Program,
 Texas Children's Hospital
 (832) 822-4868

Youth Wheelchair Tennis

FREE wheelchair tennis classes offered by HPARD Tennis section in partnership with the Houston Tennis Association, Inc.-NJTL. This program is designed to provide children with the fundamentals of the game of tennis and educational components that develop life skills. Two sessions will be offered during the summer.

Equipment is available for use during class. Pre-registration is required.

Pre-registration: Required
Session I: June 4 – June 28
Session I: 4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
 (Ages 13 and under)
Session II: July 2 – 26
Session II: 5:45 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. (Ages 14 and up)
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
 1475 West Gray
Information: (713) 284-1983

Junior Wheelchair Sports Camp

This 1-week Junior Wheelchair Sports Day Camp, hosted by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, is planned for youth age 6 - 18 who have independent functioning skills. Introduction to wheelchair sports, recreation and wellness activities will be taught by adults with physical disabilities and other qualified staff. Activities include wheelchair basketball, wheelchair tennis, wheelchair football, wheelchair rugby, aquatic adventures and other adapted activities.

Ages: 6 - 18
Registration Begins: May 1
Program Dates: July 23 - July 27
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
 1475 West Gray
Information: (713) 284-1983

Fine Arts Summer Camps

The River Performing and Visual Arts will hold 6 day camps at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center this summer. The camps are for children with disabilities and their siblings. For information and registration, contact Andrea Pikas.

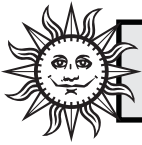
Ages: 2 - 19
Program Dates: June 4 – June 8
 June 18 - June 22
 June 25 - June 29
 July 9 - July 13
 July 16 - July 20
 July 30 - August 3
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
 1475 West Gray
Information: Andrea Pikas
 The River Performing and Visual Arts Center
 (713) 520-1220
www.theriver.org
 Email: info@theriver.org

Camp Buckaroo

United Cerebral Palsy will host Camp Buckaroo for children with disabilities, June 11-15, at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center. For registration and information contact Christine Reyes Ellery.

Program Dates: June 11 – June 15
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
 1475 West Gray
Information: Christine Reyes Ellery
 United Cerebral Palsy
 (713) 838-9050, ext. 332
www.ucphouston.org





Community Center Listing



Northeast Community Centers:

Clark (KM 453B)
9718 Clark, 77076
(713) 742-1497

Clinton (KM 495V)
200 Mississippi, 77029
(713) 673-0955

Finnigan (KM 494H)
4900 Providence, 77020
(713) 678-7385

Hobart Taylor (KM 455Q)
8100 Kenton, 77028
(713) 674-3959

Judson Robinson, Sr. (KM 495L)
1422 Ledwicke, 77029
(713) 674-2401

Lakewood (KM 455G)
8811 Feland, 77028
(713) 272-3668

Melrose (KM 413T)
1001 Canino, 77076
(281) 447-0514

Moody (KM 453Y)
3725 Fulton, 77009
(713) 692-6925

Selena Quintalla Perez
(Denver Harbor) (KM 494H)
6402 Market, 77020
(713) 675-2151

Shady Lane (KM 414W)
10220 Shady Lane, 77093
(713) 742-1503

Swiney (KM 494J)
2812 Cline, 77020
(713) 238-2197

Tidwell (KM 454D)
9720 Spaulding, 77016
(713) 636-8221

Tuffly (KM 454X)
3200 Russell, 77026
(713) 674-2355

Northwest Community Centers:

Carverdale (KM 450A)
9920 Porto Rico Road, 77041
(713) 895-6141

Candlelight (KM 452E)
1520 Candlelight, 77007
(713) 682-3587

Fonde (KM 493K)
110 Sabine, 77002
(713) 226-4466

Freed (KM 451Y)
6818 Shady Villa, 77055
(713) 682-4467

Highland (KM 451D)
3316 DeSoto, 77091
(713) 956-9137

Independence Heights (KM 453N)
603 East 35th, 77022
(713) 867-0373

Judson Robinson, Jr. (KM533B)
2020 Hermann Drive, 77004
(713) 284-1997

Lincoln (KM 412Q)
979 Grenshaw, 77088
(281) 445-1617

Love (KM 452Z)
1000 West 12th, 77008
(713) 867-0497

Milroy (KM 452Z)
1205 Yale, 77008
(713) 867-0397

Montie Beach (KM 453X)
915 Northwood, 77009
(713) 864-6820

Proctor Plaza (KM 453X)
803 West Temple, 77009
(713) 862-6907

Stude (KM 493E)
1031 Stude, 77007
(713) 867-0496

Woodland (KM 493C)
212 Parkview, 77009
(713) 867-0401

Southeast Community Centers:

Beverly Hills (KM 576S)
10201 Kingspoint, 77075
(713) 948-9065

Charlton (KM 535P)
8200 Park Place Blvd., 77017
(713) 645-3589

Cloverland (KM 573L)
11800 Scott, 77047
(713) 733-4581

Crestmont (KM 574J)
5200 Selinsky, 77048
(713) 733-2236

DeZavala (KM 495S)
7521 Ave. H, 77012
(713) 923-5163

Eastwood (KM 494T)
5020 Harrisburg, 77011
(713) 928-4801

Edgewood (KM 534X)
5803 Bellfort, 77033
(713) 734-8434

Garden Villas (KM 535W)
6720 S. Haywood, 77061
(713) 847-5168

Hartman (KM 535C)
9311 E. Ave. P, 77012
(713) 928-4803

Ingrando (KM 535F)
7302 Keller, 77012
(713) 643-4764

MacGregor (KM 534E)
5225 Calhoun, 77021
(713) 747-8650

Mason (KM 535A)
541 South 75th, 77023
(713) 928-2118
(713) 928-7055

Meadowcreek (KM 535A)
5333 Berry Creek, 77017
(713) 946-9020

Sagemont (KM 576Y)
11507 Hughes, 77089
(281) 922-2343

Settegast (KM 494N)
3000 Garrow, 77003
(713) 238-2200
(713) 238-2201

Southwest Community Centers:

Alief (KM 529E)
11903 Bellaire, 77072
(281) 564-8130

Almeda (KM 572Y)
14201 Almeda School Rd., 77047
(713) 434-1909

Burnett Bayland (KM 531B)
6200 Chimney Rock, 77081
(713) 668-4516

Cherryhurst (KM 492R)
1700 Missouri, 77006
(713) 284-1992

Emancipation (KM 493Y)
3018 Dowling, 77004
(713) 284-1301

Godwin (KM 531U)
5101 Rutherglen, 77096
(713) 726-7114

Lansdale (KM 530K)
8201 Roos, 77036
(713) 272-3668

Linkwood (KM 532P)
3699 Norris, 77025
(713) 314-3107

Marian (KM 530X)
11101 South Gessner, 77071
(713) 773-7015

Platou (KM 571B)
11655 Chimney Rock, 77053
(713) 726-7107

River Oaks (KM 492T)
3600 Locke Lane, 77027
(713) 622-5998

Sharpstown (KM 530F)
6600 Harbor Town, 77036
(713) 988-5328

Sunnyside (KM 533X)
3502 Bellfort, 77051
(713) 734-5061

Windsor Village (KM 571P)
14441 Croquet, 77085
(713) 726-7113



Activities In The Park!

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department provides year-round program activities for all ages! "Activities in the Park" is printed 3 times a year for your convenience. Pick up your copy today at a Community Center near you or on-line at www.houstonparks.org.

- Summer "Activities in the Park 2007" is currently available at all Community Centers and online.
- Fall "Activities in the Park 2007" will be available at Community Centers and online August 1, 2007
- Winter/Spring "Activities in the Park 2008" will be available at Community Centers and online January 1, 2008

We'd love to hear from you!

We want to do everything possible to make your visit to a Houston Park or facility the best it can be. So please, tell us what we are doing that makes you really happy, or if there's anything else we could do to make it better. Your feedback and ideas about your experience with the Houston Parks and Recreation Department are very important to us. Fill out the form below and mail, email or fax to:

Mailing Address: Communications Office
The Houston Parks and Recreation
Department
2999 South Wayside
Houston, Texas 77023

Email Address: askparks@cityofhouston.net

Fax: (713) 845-1335

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